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*The Mormon Battalion On The March At California's
Gold Strike Anniversary Celebration*

President Morgan's Message

Thanks For Two Splendid Projects Well Done

By J. Rulon Morgan

President National Society, Sons of the Utah Pioneers

IT GIVES me a great deal of pleasure as your president, to report to you that two major projects undertaken by the National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers which were announced in the January - February issue of *The Pioneer*, have been successfully completed, with great honor of our organization.

The SUP - Mormon Battalion trek to Coloma, California, in January was carried out in every detail. Splendid publicity was given these two organizations in the Utah and California papers and on radio and television. Your president was grand marshal of the parade. It was a great tribute to the SUP and Mormon Battalion. We all returned home knowing that we had been well received by the people of California and that we had upheld the standards and traditions of our organizations. To all who assisted in this great effort, including the wonderful Daughters of Utah Pioneers, I say humbly, "Thank you."

The second major project has now been completed. This was the First Annual Art and Music Festival at Eldred Center in Pro-



Pres. J. Rulon Morgan, rides in Coloma parade, with Mrs. Morgan, as grand marshal, in gala Gold Discovery anniversary celebration. Photo by Walter Drysdale.

vo. This was a month-long project and was sponsored by the Eldred Art Board and the National So-

ciety of the Sons of Utah Pioneers. About 6,000 persons attended the Art Exhibit and viewed the 102 paintings that were presented there by Mr. and Mrs. J. Rulon Morgan and their family.

An outstanding musical program was given each Sunday by the Mendelsohn Male Chorus, Utah Valley Opera Association, Utah Valley Symphony, and the Ladies Melodian Chorus. The Board of the SUP held its monthly meeting at the Eldred Center. Many people from all over the state attended the events, including state, county, and city officials, Sons and daughters of Utah Pioneers, senior citizens, art classes from various schools, and art and music patrons. It was a great cultural event. To all those who helped in this fine project, I express appreciation, especially to *The Pioneer*, our magazine, and to *The Herald*, Provo's newspaper which did an outstanding job in covering this event.

Greater interest is being shown by the public in SUP. New members are being added to our membership. Let us all drive for new members and double our membership. To the SUP and the Mormon Battalion, I say "It's a great privilege to belong to this wonderful organization."

1966 Slogan:

'Every Son of a Utah Pioneer Bring in a Member!'

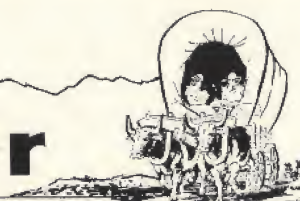
HEAR YE, men and brethren! The SUP Slogan for 1966 is "Every member bring in a member!" That would double our membership pronto and that is what we need—double our present membership. So, let us all climb aboard the band wagon—er, that is the old prairie schooner—and get in these new members. What an enjoyable and challenging project!

Why not a gift membership to a friend

who is eligible for membership and get him started in SUP? He will bless your memory for leading him into this wonderful organization.

Pres. J. Rulon Morgan and our Board of Directors are most anxious that all the chapters latch onto this campaign without tardiness or delay and push it through to a tremendous success. With the full support of all chapters and members, it cannot fail. *Let's go!*

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OVER THE FRONTIER TRAIL

Their Glory; Not Ours!

THE SONS of the Utah Pioneers trek to the Gold Discovery Celebrations at Coloma and Sutter's Fort did, much to increase the admiration, the respect and the devotions of us all, for those gallant men and women who were truly pioneers in word and thought, and act and faith.

Stalwart and upright they were, and completely fearless and un-mindful of what the world thought or said of them, Calumny, slander, derision, scorn, left them unmoved as long as they were treading the straight and narrow way marked for them by their inspired leaders.

No sacrifice was too great for these sturdy and determined empire builders. Thousands of these noble souls had come, one from a family, two from a city, from many lands and climes. They had made their farewells to friends, homes and loved ones and with sundered heart strings, tested by privation and sorrow, they welded together a mighty people, a band of empire builders unequalled in all history.

We do well to honor such men. Treks and monuments are scarcely enough. These remind us of the sacrifices our pioneer forebears endured, it is true, but let us never forget that *the deeds of our fathers and mothers are theirs, not ours; that their deeds cannot be counted to our glory.* We can claim no excellence, no glory for what they did.

We must rise, or fall by our own labor. As Sons and Daughters of the Sons of the Pioneers, we merit no special position, or recognition or credit for what the pioneers were and what they accomplished. We must stand upon our own feet and in our own shoes.

The Gold Discovery Celebration should have brought to us all

the impelling reminder to pursue unflinchingly our uniform goal to be more like the pioneers—great in faith, great in work, great in righteous living and great in fashioning and maintaining our precious heritage.

The New History Society

ORGANIZATION of the new Mormon History Association is most certain to sustain, preserve and develop pioneer records, folklore and traditions. The organization, launched January 11, was set up by more than 50 historians at a conclave in San Francisco. Its objectives and ideals coincide closely with those of the Sons of the Utah Pioneers. It is a natural supposition that the two organizations can prove mutually beneficial.

Election of Prof. Leonard J. Arrington of Utah State University as first president, was a wise selection. An ardent pioneer historian, he is author of a most outstanding and authoritative book recently published, "Great Basin Kingdom, An Economic History of the Latter-day Saints." SUP historians will find this volume a must for their libraries.

The Mormon History Association will hold a convention once a year, at which the outstanding papers entered for the records will be read. The group will cooperate with the Pacific Coast Branch of the American Historical Association.

If the official personnel of the new society is any criterion, its success is assured. Included among its officers are: Eugene E. Campbell, BYU; James L. Clayton, U. of U.; Dello G. Dayton, Weber State; Robert B. Flanders, Grace-land College; Davis Bitton, University of California; Alfred Bush, Princeton and Merle Wells, Idaho State Historical Society.

Preston Nibley

THE spoken word makes its brief imprint, fades and is soon gone, but writings such as those of Preston Nibley will live on to bless his fellowmen forever.

The beloved "Pres" closed his amazing earthly career shortly after the publication of our last edition, so we take this somewhat belated opportunity to express our profound admiration, deep gratitude and enduring love for this great man.

Preston Nibley was one of the truly great historians of our time. He was also a writer of robust style and distinctive charm. His vigor and skill as a public speaker was equally impressive.

But most of all Pres Nibley was a kindly, gentle spirit and a vigorous proponent of the Gospel he loved and preached so sincerely and courageously.

Pres Nibley will be missed, especially by the Sons of the Utah Pioneers. He helped organize this great national organization and as its pioneer historian kept alive in print, its splendid accomplishments and its lofty idealism.

When the Creator made Preston Nibley he must have thrown away the mold. There was no one like him, nor will there be another, not in our time, at least!

OPPORTUNIST

Let me live in my home by the side of the road, where the tourist clans go by; for someone will sell them hot dogs to eat, and it might as well be I. —Scrap.

OUT YONDER

Hook and slice them as he may
Man is always prone to say,
There's a hole that I can play
Out yonder!
Fate may show a visage grim,
Fortune's smile may pale and dim,
Still man hopes Luck waits for him
Out yonder!

—LES GO SCRAPBOOK

The Historic Gold Discovery Trek

Mormon Battalion Sparks Celebration

BY MARVIN E. SMITH

SUP Trek Chairman

It took a lot of doing but it was worth it. The Mormon Battalion Trek to California's Gold Discovery Celebration at Coloma, Placerville, and Sutter's Fort, must be chalked up on the record book as another success. The support given SUP members, battalion members and our splendid National Board was superb and is genuinely appreciated.

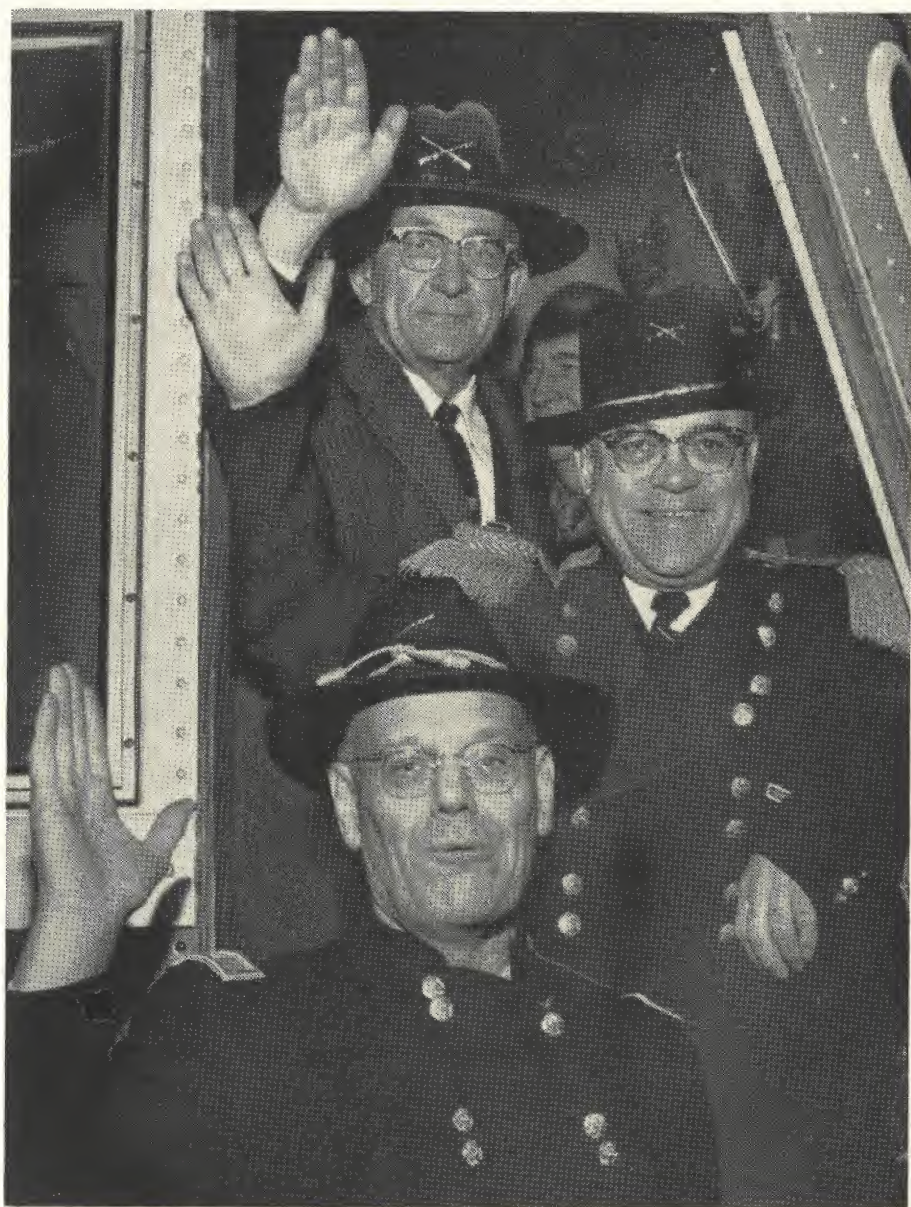
It was altogether fitting that Certificates of Distinguished Service were presented to three LDS Stake presidents, several bishops of wards and others in charge of the celebration, including Mrs. Norma Ricketts, author of the new book, "The Mormons and the Discovery of Gold in California."

Mrs. Mary Goodman's contribution to the celebration was most inspirational. The charming widow of the late Col. Goodman of the battalion, presented her exhibit of her husband's souvenirs to the Coloma Gold Discovery Museum. It is a most valuable contribution to this interesting collection. Mrs. Kate Carter, president of the DUP, was given high praise for her part in the celebration. She was her usual self as the "Spirit of DUP,"—always vigorous, enthusiastic and devoted.

Gold Trek Highlights

Two governors honored the three busloads of battalion members on the trek. Gov. Grant Sawyer of Nevada gave the unprecedented permission for the famous Carson City Museum to be opened in the evening for the convenience of the Utah group. Then in Sacramento, Gov. "Pat" Brown opened the mansion to the Utahns. Mrs. Brown personally guided the tour through the official home of the California governor.

Col. Earl A. Hansen, com-



"The Mormon Battalion" was the cynosure of the recent "Gold Discovery Celebration" at Coloma, Calif., and three of its top commanders are shown here on one of the bus hops. They are: front to rear—Earl Hansen, Rulon Morgan, SUP president; and Elias Day.

—Deseret News Photo.

manding officer, was called to the stage at Coloma, just prior to the pageant and was presented with a "Special Participation Award." The Coloma Booster's Club selected a beautiful trophy for this occasion, commemorative of the discovery of gold.

Norma Ricketts was outstanding in her participation and coordination of activities relating to the celebration of gold discovery. She was ably supported by her talented husband, Monte, in the magnificent efforts in public rela-

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Col. Marvin E. Smith, treks chairman SUP, who did a most magnificent job in directing the Gold Strike Celebration trip and the tour of the Bay Area.



High-power promoters behind the SUP trek to the Gold Discovery celebration were: Mance Vaught, Duane B. Ford, hosts extraordinary; Col. Earl A. Hansen, Col. Marvin Smith, and Col. Harold H. Jensen. Photo by Walter Drysdale.

The Historic Gold Discovery Celebration

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tions, writing of a souvenir book, and coordinating a dozen activities at the same time.

Hospitality in California was tops. Police met our three buses on the outskirts of Placerville and escorted us to large A&W lunch stands. Delectable refreshments were provided but the employees would accept no pay. We learned that the El Dorado County Chamber of Commerce had arranged to pay the bill. Then in Sacramento, the people opened their homes and took the Utahns home following the banquet at the stake center. Norma Rickett's mother invited so many to her home that she had to go elsewhere to find a place for the night.

The Oakland Temple visit was a beautiful experience. Nearly all attended a session. During the balance of the trip many other spiritual experiences occurred.

Elder Benson Speaks

Elder Ezra Taft Benson spoke at both the Friday night banquet in Sacramento and in Coloma. His presence and message was uplift-

ing. Mrs. Benson accompanied him.

WE SALUTE:

Fred M. Reese for his assistance with both arrangements and menial work connected with the trek. Though a colonel in rank he willingly removed his "eagles" and paraded as a private in the color guard, because it was in the best interest of the battalion effort.

Our Bus Captains: Quentin Thomas, Logan, E. O. Maxfield of West Jordan, and M. Verne Thurber of Orem for assuming extra responsibilities cheerfully for the comfort of us all.

Duane Ford, Mance Vaught, John Hassler, C. Gordon Wright, DUP, and all the other courteous California citizens who went the extra mile to make our visit a memorable and cherished one.

Col. Earl A. Hansen, our commanding officer for his able direction of this modern "Gold Mission." It was a project of good will and love toward our California friends. It was great to see

the shoulder to shoulder efforts of all citizens in California be they state, church, or community affiliated. Earl carried the brunt since the plans called for him to make a personal trip to California last fall. This "Project Good Neighbor" was a credit to both church and state. It will stand as a monument to his leadership.

S. Roy Chipman, finance officer and bookkeeper for the trek who worked for months in advance and then at the last minute was constrained to remain at home because of illness. Roy and Verda are held in high esteem as active and enthusiastic friends. Of course Verda sent a large batch of cookies anyway.

The Little Colonel

"Our Mary" Goodman seems to have no limits on ability or energy. Besides leading the battalion auxiliary, she is always found directly involved with the major projects. These include the "Togs for Texas" and "Artifacts for Coloma" projects. In addition, Mary assisted the trek committee with reservations and collections.

Sidelights On 'Gold Discovery' Celebration

Big Battalion Trek Ends But Memories Will Linger

By Harold H. Jenson

(National Historian, the SUP)

The SUP Mormon Battalion Trek to the Gold Discovery Celebration is all over now but the thrills, excitement and enjoyment of all who participated, will linger long in the preciousness of memory. Thanks to the promotional efforts of SUP chapter officers, our national board of directors and "The Pioneer," 103 Utahns made the trip in three chartered buses. They are all glad they did.

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Marvin Smith, national trek chairman, handled the arrangements for the buses from Salt Lake City, Provo and Ogden. Marv worked day and night to make the journey enjoyable for all.

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LDS members in Sacramento opened their homes to the Utah visitors in a most gracious gesture of comradeship and hospitality. Their kindness is genuinely appreciated. Pres. Duane Ford of Placerville, SUP member, merits high praise for the tremendous promotional job he did on the celebration.

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A highlight of the observance was the Daughters of the Utah Pioneers banquet at which a presentation of Distinguished Service Certificates was made. Three LDS Church Stake presidents, several bishops and several persons in charge of various phases of the celebration, including Mrs. Norma Ricketts, author of the splendid little volume, "The Mormons and the Discovery of Gold in California," recommended as "must" reading for all SUP and DUP members.

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Our honorary "Col." Mary Goodman's exhibit at the Coloma Stake Parks Museum stole the show, although it was difficult for Mary to see her late beloved husband's uniform on display. But this, with sword, saber, pistols and other mementos now live on as

precious items in the memory of a great man who served SUP and the Mormon Battalion exceedingly well.

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Mrs. Kate B. Carter, president of DUP, was given high praise by Pres. J. Rulon Morgan, who called her "Kate" and noted that no one is more deserving of the love and gratitude of DUP and SUP mem-

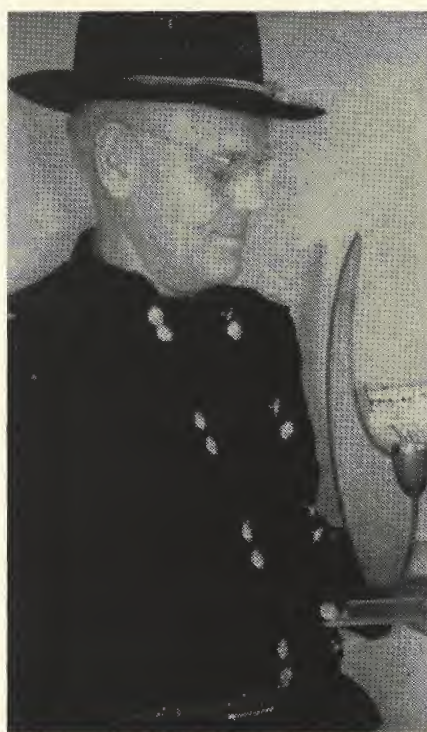
bers because of her amazing accomplishments.

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Your historian met Allen Welts, California state historian, and his charming wife. They are all enthused about plans of Sacramento Restoration, Inc. to bring back a re-creation of the old city.

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The battalion was honored to have joining it in the big parade, Col. Elmer G. Thomas, law enforcement officer for the Salt Lake area stakes of the LDS Church and Pres. G. Gordon Wright, who also heads the Rotary Club. Col. Thomas donned a private's uniform—imagine that, a colonel voluntarily marching in a private's outfit!



Col. Earl A. Hansen, commanding officer Mormon Battalion, with trophy he received for participation in Gold Parade.

Battalion Schedules Annual Celebration

THE 10th Annual Mormon Battalion Day is scheduled for Saturday, April 23, at the Eldred Center, Provo, Utah, according to announcement by Col. Earl A. Hansen, commanding officer.

Mayor Verl G. Dixon, Provo, Central Division officer, will direct plans for the affair. Activities will include a business meeting and election of officers followed by a banquet and program. Other details will be forthcoming.

Battalion members, wives, and friends are invited. The Women's Auxiliary Corps will also meet during this convention under the direction of Col. Mary Goodman.

It seems altogether fitting to honor J. Rulon Morgan, national president of SUP by holding the convention in his home town. Pres. Morgan recently led the Gold Discovery Parade as grand marshal in Coloma, Calif.

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The J. Rulon Morgan family, shown here, provided the 102 famous paintings shown at the Eldred Center Art Festival in Provo during February. They are: seated on floor—James Morgan, Eddie, Wilford and Bennie Payne. Second row—Dr. and Mrs. Alan R. Morgan, Baby Jeffrey Morgan, Mrs. J. Rulon

and J. Rulon Morgan, with baby Tommy Payne, Mrs. Jaynam Morgan Payne, Nancy Payne, Dean W. Payne. Third row—David Morgan, Cathy Morgan, Becky Morgan, Janice Payne, Susan Payne, Evelyn Payne, John Payne. All members of this charming family attended the festival.

The Music And Art Festival

Initial Presentation Assures Future Successes

BY THE ONLOOKER



It was, in a way, an experiment in artistic and cultural promotion, but the Eldred Center—Sons of the Utah Pioneers Music and Art Festival held at Provo throughout the month of February, is no longer an experiment. It has now taken its place among the standard and well-established art features in the mountain West, and it is a place indeed.

February had been designated as the first anniversary of the dedication of the center and a full month of activities was scheduled

to celebrate the occasion. The Eldred Center Board enlisted the co-sponsorship of the SUP, through Pres. J. Rulon Morgan, himself a well-known connoisseur of art, and a most successful and triumphant music and art festival was the result.

With this beginning, it is expected that the exhibit will increase in scope and popularity. In consideration is a plan to bring in more of the most renowned paintings in the world, to be exhibited and returned to the various art galleries where they are regularly on display. The collection displayed at Eldred Center, comprised of the works of both local and world-wide artists, was presented by Mr. and Mrs. Morgan, Mr. and Mrs. Dean W. Payne and Dr. and Mrs. Alan R. Morgan.

Most Popular

Most popular, judged by the number of viewers were the creations of John Hopner, English master; John Pope, American mas-

ter; Edward Antoon Portielje, Belgian master; Italians including Maratla, Maresca, Magni, Giovannetti, Margrotti, the French artist LeNaboulet and popular Utahns and Americans, James T. Harwood, Dean Faucett, Elsa Saxod, Paul Salisbury, Leslie Cape, Leland Curtis, J. H. Stansfield, Samuel Jepperson, Celia Van Cott, Ray Grimes and many others.

The art that never is shown on canvas also had its hour and its day at the festival—the art of instrumentation and voice. This was presented by the Mendelssohn Male Chorus, The Utah Valley Opera Association, the Utah Valley Symphony and the Melodians

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Our Readers Write

Spike Centennial Must Be Done Right

Mr. George A. Christensen, duly appointed chairman of the Golden Spike Centennial has asked me to write him a letter expressing our views about the "Centennial of the Driving of the Last Spike." I like this term better because there was not only a golden spike driven but also a silver spike, as well as others on this historic occasion.

I am glad to comply with Mr. Christensen's request because I feel that we must get our sights up to viewing this important event nationally as well as just locally.

Certainly, the National Sons of the Utah Pioneers should have membership on this committee, not only for what they have already done towards it, but also because their perspective seems to give a much broader viewpoint to this all-important event.

The writer also is in receipt of a wire from Senator Bennett as follows:

"Golden Spike fiscal year 1967 budget also includes \$159,000 for road and trails and \$42,000 for railroad tracks and replacement. Total now with previous \$319,000 is now \$520,000."

My answer to him:

"Figures quoted for Golden Spike seem inadequate to make something worthy of the historical greatness of this spot. Water supply is very essential to make this an inviting place. We appreciate very much your interest in this legislation and know you will see it through. If we can be of any further service, please contact."

These wires are self-explanatory, but it looks like the legislation covering this project is about to be passed. Let us hope it is deemed of sufficient importance to match the greatness of what the first transcontinental railroad meant to the history of our country.

We are living in times where

there is no place for mediocrity. Anything that amounts to recognition these days must be on a colossal scale. So we must get our sights up and put forth great effort on this project so the people will want to come to this place that has been neglected for so long. We should not only make history live again, but also create a little history ourselves during this greatest of all Utah Centennial events.

—Horace A. Sorensen

Magazine Under New Name Pleases Reader

I think it was well to change the name of our magazine from the "SUP News" to "The Pioneer" by which it was known when it first started many years ago. The name gives it more meaning, dignity and tradition.

I enjoy the publication very much, and I think the officers are doing a fine job with an organization that means so much to the community and all descendants of the revered Mormon Pioneers.

—Clarence Bamberger

Any Old-Time Phone Parts You Can Spare?

The Pioneer Village Museum would like to locate any old-time telephones, parts or switchboard pieces that might be lying around and which should be part of some organized exhibit or display.

Perhaps you have some such items and would like to donate them. The Museum Village surely would appreciate it, especially Moroni Schindler, director of the museum, who is working on a special display on the subject of pioneer communications in Utah. Call him on the phone if you can help out!



SUP **PROFILES**



Linel John Larsen

Linel John Larsen was born August 22, 1897, in Spring City, Sanpete County, Utah, son of Daniel W. and Eunice Nielsen Larsen and grandson of Johannes



and Ane Jorgensen Larsen, pioneers of the John Van Cott Company of 1856.

When he was 13 years old his father moved the family to Annabella, Sevier County and he finished school there. He later attended Brigham

Young University at Provo, Utah.

These years were happy ones at BYU for it was here that he met Elmina Jane Peck, who later became his wife. They were married May 12, 1920, in the Salt Lake Temple by Nicholas G. Smith. They have reared one son and two daughters and have 16 grandchildren.

Linel's childhood was spent on the farm and in the mountains, where his father operated a saw-mill and mining prop business in Sanpete and Sevier Counties. He followed construction work for several years. After his marriage he moved to Lehi, Utah, and in company with his father and brother-in-law, they started the Three Bar Dairy and operated it for 20 years. His father and brother-in-law passed away and because of ill health Linel sold the dairy, and went to work for U. S. Steel Corporation at Geneva where he was a guard sergeant for 20 years.

Linel has always been an active church worker, serving in offices of the Aaronic Priesthood and Melchizedek Priesthood, serving

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Thomas A. Lambert

Thomas A. Lambert, newly-elected vice president of the East Mill Creek Chapter of the SUP, recently was awarded a jeweled tie clasp in recognition of 35



years of service with the Mountain States Telephone Co. Presently he is DDD Bureau foreman.

Mr. Lambert began his career with Western Electric in 1927, after graduating from West High School and LDS Business College. He joined Mountain States Telephone Co. in 1934 in the assignment office. Over the years he has held various positions in the plant department.

Known around the East Mill Creek area as "Mr. Secretary," Tom Lambert has held secretarial and executive responsibilities in numerous civic organizations and has been a vigorous worker in Red Cross, United Fund, Lions Club, and other such groups. For many years he has been secretary of the East Mill Creek Water Company.

He is presently councilor in the East Mill Creek Ward bishopric, a position he held formerly in one of the wards in Pioneer Stake. He has four sons, all of whom have completed missions. The Lamberts also have two daughters.

He and his companion, formerly Marjorie Linton, have joined each of their sons upon the occasion of their releases from their missions and enjoyed the journey home with them. Thomas himself served two years in the British Mission in 1930-1932.

Tom and Marjorie Lambert were married in the Salt Lake Temple in 1932. Thomas was born Aug. 12, 1910, son of Thomas G. and Pearl E. Lambert.

Old Jupiter Chapter Elects 1966 Officers

The Utah State University Chapter of the SUP, the "Old Jupiter" Chapter, set up a new corps of officers at its annual President's Night and Dinner on January 15 in the Student Union Building. Chosen to direct the affairs of the chapter this year were:

Bryce M. Wadley, president; Vernon Israelson, vice president; D. A. Burgoyne, second vice president; E. Devere Miner, two-year director; Cleve Milligan, two-year director; Sterling Taylor, one-year director; LeGrand Noble, one-year director; Golden Stoker, secretary; Gene H. Linford, historian; J. Sedley Stanford, judge advocate; Ira N. Hayward, chaplain.

Asa L. Beecher, president of Mt. Logan Stake, was speaker at the dinner meeting. His subject: "Pioneers and Pioneering in Utah and Idaho."

The chapter will continue the noontime luncheon meetings, 11:30 to 12:30, the third Thursday of each month.

Chapter affairs will be directed by committees as follows:

Program: Vernon Israelson, Cleve Milligan and Ira Hayward.

Membership: David A. Burgoyne, Golden Stoker and Sedley Stanford.

Projects and Publicity: E. Devere Miner, Sterling Taylor and LeGrand Noble.

Summer Activity: Howard Maughn and Lyman Rich.

Chapter Notes: Orson Cannon left the campus in August for a year's sabbatical leave in Oregon. . . . Lyman Rich has been asked to assist with or sponsor a people-to-people tour of South America, starting in March. . . . Welling Roskelly, head of the Sociology Department, is now on a government assignment doing research work in association with the program of setting up schools in foreign countries. He will visit eight countries, and will have headquarters in Manila, Philippines. . . . O. W. Israelson, professor emeritus, and Mrs. Israelson, are on a six-weeks cruise in the South Pacific.

—E. Devere Miner



President David O. McKay and Mrs. McKay are assisted by Dr. Edward McKay and members of the Mormon Battalion as they leave the ribbon-

cutting ceremonies at the new Zions First National Bank headquarters, a magnificent new skyscraper completed in late November of 1965.

History Repeats As President McKay Cuts the Ribbon at Bank Opening

History repeated itself when President David O. McKay cut the ribbon opening the new headquarters offices of Zions First National Bank at No. 1 Main Street in Salt Lake City.

Ninety-two years before, (the year of President McKay's birth—1873), the second president of the Church, Brigham Young, as the bank's founder, opened the first account.

Attending President McKay at the opening festivities were members of the Mormon Battalion who helped to regulate the crowd

and assist the Church president in making his way to the various events of the opening.

Before cutting the ribbon, President McKay noted that Zions Bank has occupied the corner of Number One Main Street since before the turn of the century (1889) and previous to that had been located just down Main Street from the present location.

President Joseph Fielding Smith was also honored at the official opening as the person having the oldest savings account in continuous use at the bank. Church President Joseph F. Smith opened the account for his son, Joseph Fielding Jr., when the younger Smith was three months old. The signature of the former Church president can still be seen in the old signature book which was used in early days to record vital statistics of account holders.

Church Receives Books From Europe

More than a thousand Church books, many of them precious first editions, have been shipped from the library of the West Europe Mission, for filing in the Church Historian's Office in Salt Lake City.

Earl E. Olson, assistant Church historian, was sent to Europe by the General Authorities, to make a selection of books, magazines and papers, that were deemed of sufficient importance to be filed in the main Church archives.

Mr. Olson discovered, among other precious items, a 1856-57 file of the first Church publication in California, "The Western Standard," edited by George Q. Cannon.

Other books and publications being shipped to the Church library include early volumes of "The Times and Seasons," "The Journal of Discourses," the "Millennial Star," and others.

Norman's Floral Arts

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The Ute Rangers

They Carry Tradition of the Pony Express

By Brent Huffman

(Historian, Ute Ranger Chapter)

From a meager beginning, the Ute Rangers have grown to be one of the finest riding clubs in America. At their first meeting they had only twelve men in attendance. At the present time they have fifty active members.

Since their beginning in 1944, the Ute Rangers have received trophies and awards all over the Intermountain West. They have ridden in such fine events as the Elks' Helldorado in Las Vegas; the Dixie Roundup in St. George, Utah; The Ute Stampede in Nephi, Utah; the Ogden Pioneer Days; the Days of '47 Rodeo in Salt Lake; and the International Horse Show in Hollywood, Calif.

All-in-all they have received over 100 trophies and special awards and have participated in

rodeos in the states of Utah, Nevada, Idaho and California in events too numerous to mention.

Also Patrol Posse

The Ute Rangers are a civic minded group. They are the official Utah Highway Patrol Posse, and are the Howard Egan Pony Express Chapter of the Sons of the Utah Pioneers.

In 1955 they staged a miniature re-run of the Pony Express from Bluffdale, Utah to the State Capitol Building, delivering real mail.

Again in 1960 the Ute Rangers were part of the Pony Express Centennial Celebration, and members of their club took part in the Pony Express ride from St. Joseph, Mo. to Sacramento, Calif.

Proud To Be SUP

During the 1960 edition of the Ute Rangers Sho-De-O, which is

sponsored each year by the club, the Pony Express National Centennial Queen was chosen.

The Sho-De-O is a combination horse show and rodeo which is put on each June at the Salt Lake County Fairgrounds.

The Ute Rangers are a devoted group who love horses, and are proud to be a part of the Sons of the Utah Pioneers.

Officers of the Rangers Chapter are: President, Keith Kellar; vice president, Neil J. Christensen; secretary, Ken Anderson; treasurer, E. P. Winn; historian, Brent Huffman; business manager, Tommy Greenwood; property manager, Von Church; drillmaster, Ray P. Greenwood; district representative Jimmy Manning and secretary to the representative, Bob Carter.

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Pictorial Highlights of Gold Celebration Parade



Sextet of VIPs at Coloma Celebration: Lt. Col. Harold H. Jenson, founder SUP Mormon Battalion; Elder Ezra Taft Benson of the Council of the Twelve, LDS Church, featured speaker; Mrs. Ben-

son, Mrs. J. Rulon Morgan, wife of SUP President J. Rulon Morgan; Pres. Kate B. Carter, Daughters of the Utah Pioneers and Pres. Morgan.—Photo by Col. Elmer G. Thomas.



Bearing the colors with pride and dignity were these SUP devotees in the colorful Coloma parade.



Mormon Battalion Color Guard in parade at Coloma where prayer, that it would not rain during parade, was answered.



Mrs. Mary Goodman (SUP 'honorary colonel') is shown with exhibit of her late husband's Mormon Battalion souvenirs which she gave to the Coloma Gold Discovery Museum.



Lending dignity and prestige to the Coloma Gold Discovery Celebration were these SUP dignitaries: Col. Earl Hansen, Col. Marvin Smith and SUP President J. Rulon Morgan. Photo taken at Placerville by Vern Allen, Sacramento Bee.

Battalion Ships Mission Supplies

The Mormon Battalion is still the great "do gooders."

Recently the Mormon Battalion Central Division in the Salt Lake Area, sent a shipment of clothing to needy Church members residing within the borders of the Texas LDS Mission, mostly those living near the Texas - Mexico border.

The call for these supplies came to Sheldon R. Brewster, a battalion officer, from Elder and Mrs. Ray L. Alston, who preside over the McAllen Branch. In his letter to Mr. Brewster, Elder Alston told of Spanish and Indian members and non-member friends who were sorely in need of clothing and other supplies. He asked battalion members to put on a clothing drive.

Mr. Brewster and his colleagues launched the drive and soon a dozen large cartons of clothing of all sizes and description were on the way to the Alstons. The drive is not closed, however. Any one having extra clothing in fairly good condition, who would like to give it to these needy people, may notify Mr. Brewster or send the clothing to the Goodman Shop at 3040 Highland Drive.

A significant feature of this drive is that these supplies are going to a people whose ancestors the Mormon Battalion was once commanded to fight.

Interested In Articles About Mormon Battalion

I read with much interest Harold Jenson's article in the Sunday Tribune about the Mormon Battalion. I have long been interested in any information about the battalion as my grandfather was a member of this amazing organization.

What I would like to know is who should I contact to find out more information on the picture used with the article. (Mr. Jenson has already taken care of this request.)

Mrs. Betty C. Barney
St. Anthony, Ida. 83445



New officers of the East Mill Creek Chapter, Sons of the Utah Pioneers were installed on the first of the year. They are, as shown herewith, rear row: Kenneth Wiseman, director; Thomas A. Lambert, director; Jack H. Goaslind, past president; Lothaire R. Rich, director. Front: H. Leroy Erickson, first

vice president; Lionel J. Halverson, president; Heber G. Bird, third vice president; Lamar J. Gardner, second vice president. Absent when photo was taken were Directors Wilson Seely and E. Moreton Hill. This chapter with wives, holds a dinner-meeting every fourth Monday evening.

Great Mormon Trek Of '47 Required Preparation

The following interesting account of the stirring events that happened during the early part of April, 1847, is taken from the Historical Record by the late Andrew Jensen, one of the Assistant Church Historians.

Early in the spring of 1847, Preparations were again made to send out a body of men to the Rockies, to find a new gathering place for the Saints. The men selected to undertake the hazardous journey responded cheerfully to the call, the necessary teams, camp equipment and provisions were provided, and on April 5, Heber C. Kimball moved six of his teams (which he had equipped and prepared to form part of the company) out of Winter Quarters.

After traveling about four miles in a westerly direction, they camped in a convenient place, thus forming a kind of nucleus for the rest of the company. On April 7, after attending the general conference of the Church held at Winter Quarters on the 6th, President Brigham Young started for the west and joined the pioneer camp, which was then located about ten miles west of Winter Quarters. From this point the

Pioneers continued their journey to Elkhorn River.

Beautiful Spot

The Elkhorn is one of the numerous tributaries of the Platte coming in from the north. It rises in Brown County, Nebraska, and after a flow of about 225 miles in a south-easterly direction empties into the Platte in Sarpy County, nearly 25 miles above the junction of the Platte with the Missouri. The Elkhorn is described by William Clayton as a beautiful stream about 150 ft. wide, averaging a depth of four feet. The country in the vicinity is beautiful and productive. The bluffs on the east side were, when the Pioneers passed, well lined with timber, among the woods being some fine groves of cedar. From the bluffs a little below the ferry could be seen the meanderings of the Platte and the magnificent bottomlands on the north side of it, stretching fifteen miles in width and extending up the stream until lost in the distance.

Elder Pratt Arrives

At the Elkhorn River, news reached the pioneers that Elder Parley P. Pratt had arrived at

Winter Quarters from England. Consequently President Young and the brethren of the Twelve who were with him returned to that place and held a council with Elder Pratt in Dr. Willard Richards' office. On April, 9 the Twelve again started on their journey for the west, and on Sunday, April 11, joined the Pioneer company on the Elkhorn, which stream was crossed by means of a raft.

Before making the final start for the mountains, President Young and the Twelve who were in the camp once more returned to Winter Quarters to greet Elder John Taylor who also had arrived from England, bringing with him over \$2,000 in gold, contributed by the British Saints to the Church.

Apostles Join Camp

Leaving Winter Quarters a third time on Wednesday, April 14, 1847, The Apostles joined the Pioneer Camp in the evening of the 15th, at a point 12 miles west of the Elkhorn, and about 47 miles from Winter Quarters. The following day (Friday, April 25), the people in the camp were called

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Book Reviews

New Biography Of Col. Thomas L. Kane

by Virgil V. Peterson



SENTINEL IN THE EAST, a Biography of Thomas L. Kane, by Albert L. Zobell, Jr. Published by Nicholas G. Morgan, Sr., Salt Lake City, \$3.95.

This volume is the most definitive biography of Thomas L. Kane ever to come into print. Author Zobell has done an outstanding job in research and brings to light some very significant facts in the life of Col. Kane.

To Nicholas G. Morgan, Sr., goes commendation for making possible the publication of this book. It culminates an interest he has maintained in the study of the life of Kane for more than 20 years.

To the Mormon people Col. Kane is known best in the role of a mediator. As Johnston's Army, still in Wyoming, was making threats to annihilate the Mormon populace, Kane appeared on the scene and negotiated for a peaceful entry of the Army into the Valley of the Great Salt Lake. He is to be remembered also for his influence in having the Mormon Battalion called resulting in significant material aid to the Saints in their trek from Iowa to the West.

A Philadelphian by birth Thomas L. Kane was well educated. He honored his great heritage from the Kane family and served well

as statesman, soldier, and empire builder.

After the Civil War, where he was commissioned to the office of major general, he engaged in railroad building and development of natural resources in his native Pennsylvania.

This significant contribution adds to the realization of Brigham Young's expression to Col. Kane, "I want to have your name live in all eternity." It is recommended reading to every descendant of a Utah pioneer.

Included in this volume also is the oft-quoted discourse by Kane entitled, "The Mormons," delivered before the Historical Society of Pennsylvania in 1850.

Choice Volume Tells Of Mormons at Sutters

MORMONS AND THE GOLD DISCOVERY IN CALIFORNIA by Norma Ricketts, Pioneer Press, Placerville, Calif. \$1.00.

The author of this neat and enlightening little volume is a natural historian and enthusiast for all things relating to the pioneers. She is also an officer in the Daughters of the Utah Pioneers.

Mrs. Ricketts was mistress of ceremonies at the banquet held in honor of "Gold Discovery Days" when the SUP Mormon Battalion heard Ezra Taft Benson, Kate B. Carter and others, speak at Sacramento on Jan. 21.

Mrs. Ricketts has spent years collecting material for this well-written book, no doubt the most authoritative volume on the Mormons and the gold discovery, yet published. All Sons and Daughters of the Pioneers should have this book in their libraries.

The gold cover illustration by William M. Johnson, Salt Lake

artist, adds an artistic touch to this Gold Discovery publication.

Starting with Sam Brannan, whose party first settled San Francisco, the new Ricketts book traces the pioneer life of that area to Sutter's Fort and Marshall's discovery of gold. It's a tremendously dramatic story. —HAJ.

Six Different Types Of 'Les Go' Columns

The 6 Faces of 'Les Go'—By Les Goates—Deseret Book Company—\$2.50.

Les Goates retired from the Deseret News in 1964. He soon found he could not retire from memories or writing and now comes up with his latest publication, a six-section collection from his pen gems that stretch from "Living All of Your Life" to "Small Town Tales."

Typical is his recollection of a little child who wrote a fancy birthday message to her favorite uncle with a pleasant closing which said, "Happy birthday, and I hope you live all your life!"

From that point on, the reader lives with Les in a pleasant way through the gems of his writings which started on Lincoln's Birthday back in 1921.

If you are weary, need to be cheery instead of teary, pick up this book, read a few of its well-briefed mementos and you will be up with a well known declaration, come on "Les Go!"

—George Scott
(The Deseret News)

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National officers and Temple Quarry Chapter officers and their wives, taken on the evening of the chapter's Christmas party. They are, wives in order of their husbands, left to right: Joseph McDonald,

Milton V. Backman, T. Mack Woolley, Pres. J. Rulon Morgan, Elmer B. Jones, Glen Greenwood, E. O. Maxfield, and Derald Tilley. More than 100 officers and guests attended this social event.

Temple Quarry Chapter Keeps Active

National Officers Guests At Gala Social

Typically successful was the dinner party of the Temple Quarry Chapter, SUP, held Saturday evening, Dec. 11. The affair was given extraordinary dignity and affluence by the presence of several national officers and their wives, including Pres. J. Rulon Morgan, T. Mack Woolley, Joseph McDonald and Milton V. Backman.

The program featured an inspiring spiritual message by Chaplain Franklin B. Seal which gave high tribute to the pioneers, their ideals, traditions and accomplishments.

Pres. Morgan was his usual eloquent self with his expressions of gratitude to the pioneers for their amazing achievements and to the SUP members of today in their efforts to preserve the pioneering heritage.

Historian Vern Thuber was presented with his Life Membership Pin by Pres. Elmer B. Jones. The Temple Quarry Chapter is

pushing hard on the slogan, "Every Member Bring In A Member."

The chapter has some interesting events planned for early June, especially another husband and wife dinner party.

The dinner was catered by the Sandy Sixth Ward Relief Society as a financial project, directed by Elsie Rasmussen, president; Lucille Asay, and Mary Matsumori, counselors. The tables were beautifully decorated by Vilate Jones; wife of Pres. Jones; Donna Greenwood and Evelyn Rawlings.

Musical numbers were arranged by Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Maxfield. Presented were: The Trade Winds, a women's trio and the Silver Kings, a male quartet, of which Cheryl Maxfield and Gerald Maxfield, respectively, of the Temple Quarry Chapter family, were included.

A reactivated charter member, J. C. Richards, was the winner of the door prize, a camera.

Richfield Reaper Wins History Award

The Richfield Reaper has been acclaimed winner of the coveted "Award of Commendation" from the American Society For State and Local History. The award was presented during the November meeting of the Sevier Valley Chapter of the Utah Historical Society in the Johnston Hotel in Richfield.

The award came as a result of the Reaper's coverage in 1964 of the Richfield Centennial Celebration and was presented to Published Norman Fuellenbach by Dr. Everett Cooley, director of the Utah Historical Society.

"You can be proud of your local newspaper," said Dr. Cooley, in making the presentation. "The public service it renders is superb and unsurpassed."

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Chapter Eternal

Preston Nibley

Preston Nibley, 81, author, LDS Church official and past historian of the Sons of the Utah Pioneers, died Jan. 2 of a heart ailment.

He was assistant historian of the Church for eight years, retiring from this position in 1963 on account of ill health. He authored such widely-read books as "The History of Joseph Smith By His Mother," "Brigham Young, The Man And His Work," "Presidents Of The Church," "Life of Joseph Smith The Prophet," "Exodus To Greatness," "Stalwarts of Mormonism," and others.

Mr. Nibley was a columnist for the Deseret News for 10 years and also wrote for the Logan Journal. He attended the University of Utah, Brigham Young University and the University of Chicago. He was greatly in demand as a Church and banquet speaker.

He served on a mission for the Church and was president of the Berlin District for 14 months. He was also president of the Northwestern States Mission, headquarters in Portland, Ore. He was a member of the Church Historic Sites Committee and first founder and president of the Timpanogos Club.

Mr. Nibley was born in Logan, May 26, 1884, the son of Charles W. and Ellen Ricks Nibley. His father was counselor to Pres. Heber J. Grant. He married Ann Doney Parkinson, Sept. 18, 1908 in the Logan Temple.

Survivors include his widow; daughters and a son, Mrs. Morgan (Eleanor) Hills, Mrs. William (Lucy Deanne) Murdock, Mrs. L. Stephen (Annette) Richards, all of Salt Lake City; Preston P., Scarsdale, N.Y.; 18 grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; sisters and brothers, Mrs. George M. Cannon, Mrs. Roy Bullen, Mrs. Margaret N. Meldrum, Mrs. Horace Whitney, all of Salt Lake City; Mrs. Julia N. Howell, Logan; Mrs. Alice N. Smoot, Mrs. Ruth N. Grant Merrill, all of Los Angeles; Nathan, Fallbrook, Calif.

The funeral was held Jan. 6 in the 13th Ward Chapel and burial was in the Logan Cemetery.



A DAY IN THE MOUNTAINS

DAYBREAK. From out the valley's depths
The mists are rising, curling,
Until above the mountain tops
The sun, triumphantly unfurling
His banner bright,
Puts them to flight.
And morn
Is born.

Noontide. A sun-drenched stillness lies
Across the meadows, dreaming,
The far, faint sounds of field and wood,
Of rippling brook, now hid, now gleaming,
Come to our ears,
And each soul hears
A tone—
Its own.

Sunset. Along the mountainsides
The lengthening shadows, blending
With tints of softly purpling clouds,
Gently proclaim the fair day's ending.
And in the hush
There sings a thrush—
"All's right;
Good-night!"

—Florence E. Wilcox in "The Cheerful Letter."

A. R. Curtis, Sugar House Pioneer, Business Leader, Dies At Age 94

Alexander Robertson Curtis, 94, prominent Church leader and Sugar House businessman, died Jan. 22 in a Salt Lake City hospital, of causes incident to his advanced age. He was the developer and principal owner of the \$3-million shopping center at 2177 Highland Dr. on the site where he started the vast Curtis Coal Co. interests with nothing but a borrowed wagon and an old horse in 1909.

Mr. Curtis was born in Scotland, Sept. 21, 1871, to Alexander Robertson and Janet Brunton Curtis. He married Genevieve Raine on June 28, 1900 in the Salt Lake Temple.

He had served as patriarch in the Sugar House, Highland and Parleys LDS Stakes. He was a missionary in Tahiti and a member of the High Priests Quorum of Granite Stake and a counselor to Bishop LeGrande Richards in Sugar House Ward.

Surviving are his widow and the following sons and daughters: Elbert R., Jesse R., Dr. Louis R., A. Ray, Marvin R., Dr. LeGrand R., Mrs. Alice C. Christensen, all of Salt Lake City; Dr. Lindsay R., Ogden; Dale R., Amsterdam, Holland, president of the Netherlands LDS Mission; 44 grandchildren, 44 great-grandchildren.

Apply Now For Life Membership In National Sons Of The Utah Pioneers

In January of 1949 Judge Jesse P. Rich, SUP National president, appointed a finance committee composed of James Burns of Bountiful, Ernest R. McKay of Huntsville, Rulon F. Starley of Ogden and Willard R. Smith and Horace A. Sorensen of Salt Lake City. They were instructed by the Executive Board to study the financial needs of the organization and to advise what should be done to meet these needs.

Among other suggestions, they recommended that the organization create and sell life memberships. Life members would be entitled to membership in any chapter, without payment of further dues to the national organization.

These recommendations were adopted at the National Encamp-

ment at Brighton in 1949. These funds were to be invested in U.S. government bonds, or income-producing real estate and only the interest therefrom could be used by the organization. Since that time 82 members have availed themselves of this opportunity.

We are now starting a vigorous campaign for life members, the funds from which will perpetually give income to our organization. The cost is \$100 which provides the right to wear a life membership pin furnished by the national society.

Send in your application now to your chapter or to National Society Sons of Utah Pioneers, 2998 South 2150 East St., Salt Lake City. An application form is presented herewith for your convenience.

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Gold Trek Reunion Scheduled March 11

FRIDAY, March 11, in Salt Lake City's Senior Citizens' Center, 249 S. 10th E., all those who went on the Gold Trek in January, are invited to bring their pictures and renew friendships. It will begin at 6:30 p.m. with a potluck dinner and move into an informal program with selected pictures being shown on the screen, it is reported by Marvin E. Smith, trek chairman.

The group will meet with the Central Division of the Battalion, who have turned the evening over for a reunion of the recent trek, according to Sheldon R. Brewster, division officer.

Committeemen will include Col. Elmer G. Thomas, 28 N. State St., Salt Lake City, as chairman, along with the three bus captains: Jentin Thomas, E. O. Maxfield, M. Verne Thurber and their wives. Irene Smith has been assigned to the food committee by the auxiliary.

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together and organized with captains of hundreds, fifties and tens.

Stephen Markham was appointed captain of the guard and was instructed to select out of the camp fifty men in whom he could place implicit confidence. These were to be the standing guard to watch the camp at night — twelve of them to act as sentries at a time; and there were to be two parties of twelve every night, each party to perform guard duty one half the night. In cases where the horses and cattle were staked out to graze at night some distance from the camp, an extra guard was to be selected from the balance of the company, the standing guard not being permitted to retire.

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Mrs. Mary Ann Clark, Dies At Age 106; Was One of Last Utah Native Pioneers

Mrs. Mary Ann Clark who was born in Lehi on July 7, 1859, died in Provo on Feb. 24, at age 106. She was the daughter of John and Amy Snyder Brown, who was once mayor of Pleasant Grove and a former bishop.

She married Albert D. Clark, Feb. 1, 1879, in the St. George Temple. He died June 11, 1937.

Mrs. Clark has resided for the past 20 years with a daughter in Provo. She had been a most remarkable example of good health and longevity until her recent illness.

She served as president of the Panguitch Stake Primary Association for a number of years and had been an officer in various ward and stake Relief Societies. Mrs. Clark was renowned for her artistic needlework, especially Relief Society quilt making.

Two other Utah women have lived to the age of 106 — Mrs. Mary Field Garner, the last living witness of the Prophet Joseph Smith; and Mrs. Annie D. Milne, who was blind from 75 to 95 years of age, but recovered her sight as a result of a miraculous operation.

Mrs. Clark is survived by a son



Mary Ann Brown Clark
... honored centenarian

and four daughter: Albert D., Orem; Mrs. Thomas (Amy) Phoebe, Panguitch; Mrs. Frank (Nellie) Pace, Twin Falls, Idaho; Mrs. J. C. (Laura) Clark and Mrs. David (Zella) Adamson, both Provo; 29 grandchildren; 3 great-grandchildren and 129 great-great-grandchildren.

FESTIVAL AT THE ELDRED CENTER

(continued from page 7)

Women's Chorus, each on successive Sunday afternoons through the month.

The Mendelssohn Chorus, under the direction of Elvis Terry, BYU music professor, reaffirmed its position as the leading mens choral group in the state. In technical skill, artistic interpretation, phrasing, diction and in tonal quality, the chorus was superb throughout its Feb. 6 program.

The 'One And Only'

Perhaps the only continuing organization of its kind in the state, the Utah Valley Opera Association scored another triumph with its Feb. 13 presentation, concertized versions of well-known operatic scenes.

The Utah Valley Symphony, Dr. Harold A. Goodman, maestro, continues to gain fresh laurels and new prestige with the years and

is headed to become one of the top symphonies in the West. Its Feb. 20 concert was rated by some critics as its best performance ever.

Always a delight and an inspiration the nationally-known Melodians, the lovely ladies chorus of Dr. Franklin and Dr. Florence Jepperson Madsen, thrilled and delighted a large audience on Feb. 27. The two Drs. Madsen have created a magnificent monument to their artistry and devotion to choral music, by projecting this amazing group into the loftiest realms of choral performances.

Patronage at the festival throughout the month, especially for the Sunday programs, was considered as "surprisingly good." With such a splendid beginning the event is sure to be even more popular next year and throughout the years to come.

Why The Name?

Colorful Places In Utah's History

By T. Mack Woolley

Davis County is one of the original eight counties created in 1850 when Utah Territory was organized. At that time Davis was the smallest. It extends westward from the crest of the Wasatch Mountains across the narrow, rich valley, the marshlands, and into Great Salt Lake to include Antelope Island.

It is one of the fastest growing counties of Utah at present and is fast becoming urbanized and may become one large city. The name Davis was for Captain Daniel C. Davis of the Mormon Battalion.

Dutch John is the name of Flaming Gorge Dam townsite two miles northeast of the dam. This is a planned town—to house construction workers on the dam and later. Operators of the dam and hydroelectric plant will make their homes here.

Dutch John is a contraction of Dutch John Flats, the name of the terrain on which the town is located. This name derives from "Dutch" John Hanselena, a horse trader and miner from Schleswig, Prussia, who settled on the Red Canyon bottom in the early 1860's.

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Dynasty Founded In 1050 A.D. Ruled Continent

By A. C. HULL, JR.

Every traveler is impressed with Lima, the capitol of Peru, with its beautiful parks, modern buildings, new boulevards, and the one million cosmopolitan people living there. He little dreams that a short distance away in the Andes mountains live sixty-five per cent of the population of Peru, or six and one-half million people — mainly Indians — much as they existed under their Inca rulers before the advent of the white man.

The Inca dynasty was founded about 1050 A.D. by the first Inca, Manco Capac, and his sister who was also his wife. Incomplete archeological records and Carbon 14 datings show that at least six civilizations preceded the Incas, the first one probably as early as 3,000 B.C.

The Incas were good organizers, colonists, fighters, builders, and artisans. By the time Columbus discovered America (1492) they had conquered and controlled western South America from southern Chile to Columbia, a distance of over 3,000 miles. There were approximately twelve million people (some estimates go to 25 million) in their nation.

The Inca Sun-God

The Inca Sun-God was accepted as a descendant of the sun and as the God of his people. He ruled as an absolute but benevolent dictator in a socialistic state. All phases of government and life within the empire were well organized. Cusco, located in southern Peru at an elevation of 11,200 feet in the Andes, was the capitol of the Incas. It was known as the "navel" of the world. At its height, the empire was joined by 10,000 miles of all-weather military roads which ran from sea level to 17,000 feet elevation. The costal road was 24 feet wide and the mountain road about 16 feet wide. As the Incas did not have a wheel, the



*Typical dress-up wearing apparel
of the Indians in the Cusco Area
of Peru.*

wide roads, marked on either side with low walls, were elaborate for foot and animal travel. Many of these roads with their walls exist today — sun-baked brick walls along the sandy coast and rock walls in the Andes mountains.

Gems Of Architecture

Throughout Peru and surrounding countries are many Inca and pre-Inca ruins, all gems of architecture and portraying a great civilization. The number of buildings and their size is awe-inspiring. The fortress of Sacsahuaman near Cusco is one of the greatest structures built by ancient man.

The Inca walls of polished stone are marvels of construction. Stones

Thousands Killed Just For Sport By the Spaniards

were quarried, transported without wheels or animals, fitted with stone instruments, and joined without mortar so perfectly that it is impossible to insert a small knife blade between the stones 500 years after construction. Some weigh tons and are many sided.

Well known and spectacular for location and architecture is Machu Picchu, a city built on the top of a saddle in a gooseneck of the Urubamba River. It is 2,000 feet above the river and between two peaks which also have minor fortresses. Hiram Bingham, an American, discovered this city in 1911 while searching for lost cities of the Incas. Machu Picchu was so lost in antiquity that the Indians did not even have a name for it. It was complete with a water system, terraced farm land, gardens, fountains, storage rooms, residences, palaces, and temples. The architecture and rock work are superb.

Downfall Of An Empire

How did this tremendous empire meet its end? One hundred and sixty-eight Spaniards with Francisco Pizarro at their head penetrated the Inca empire from the north. He met the seemingly friendly Inca King, Atahualpa, at the town of Cajamarca. Pizarro invited Atahualpa and his chosen warriors to come unarmed and visit the Spaniards. At a given signal, the Spanish soldiers fell upon the unarmed Indians, massacred thousands (estimates range from two to ten thousand) and took the Inca king captive.

To buy his freedom, Atahualpa offered to fill a large room with gold. Undescribably beautiful golden ornaments, vessels, and images were gathered and the room filled. When melted to gold bars, this gold had a value of 20 million dollars. Some gold pieces which escaped melting and are now in museums attest the ex-

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LAND OF THE INCAS

Native Peruvians Sadly Lacking In Opportunities

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ite workmanship of these people. Rather than freeing the Inca, Pizarro brought false charges against him, conducted a mock trial and had him strangled. Thus by treachery died a king who once regarded his executioner as a benevolent white God.

During his captivity Atahualpa was asked why he let the Spaniards come into his land and why he let himself be captured. He replied that he first thought that the bearded white strangers were the returning gods. Legend was that their creator god, Kon-Tiki Viracocha, who had brought them civilization, had left them but had promised to return. Too late, Atahualpa found that the Spaniards were not these returning gods. The legend of a bearded white God who came and taught the people and who promised to return is prevalent in most native tribes in South and Central America.

Incas Of Today

So perished the Inca king, but his people lived on. Many thousands were killed for sport by the Spaniards. Thousands more died

as they were forced to dig gold for them. Tens of thousands intermarried with the Spanish conquerors to form a mixed Spanish speaking race called Mestizos which now populate the coastal area and the major cities of Peru. The remainder, over half the population of Peru, still live in the high, cold, treeless Andes.

They are mostly full-blooded Indians who live much as their ancestors did in small villages, in mud or stone houses with dirt floors. They speak Quechua, the

Inca language. Many of them neither speak nor understand Spanish which has been the official language of Peru for over 400 years. They tend the llama and alpaca for meat and wool, and use the same spinning and weaving methods as under the Inca empire.

With a few exceptions of stick plows pulled by cows, men and women till their small fields and plant and irrigate their crops by hand as they did before the coming of the Spaniards. Their crops and food are much the same: corn, potatoes, beans, quinoa, tomatoes, peanuts, and strawberries to name a few. Barley is the only major crop added by the white man.

They chew coca leaves for cocaine to help them forget cold, hunger, and to endure hardship and a sometimes dreary life. They also drink chicha, a fermented corn liquor made as of old by chewing corn to get it started. On their backs they carry their produce to market where they barter and sell as they have been doing for hundreds of years.

On the Brighter Side

Holidays and festivals are bright occasions in a fairly monotonous existence. On these occasions they wear colorful costumes, which indicate the district in which they dwell, and enjoy the same

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The lost city of Machu Picchu on a saddle in a gooseneck of the Urubamba River. The river is 2,000 feet below on the right and the left.



Here is shown the walls of the Sacsahuaman fortress near Susco. Some of the stones are 10 feet tall and weigh 20 tons. They were cut with stone tools and put into place without mortar.



These are the new officers of the Jefferson Hunt Chapter of the SUP, Huntsville, Utah: Front row, left to right—Dale Newey, 1st vice president; President LeRoy Stoker; Arthur Mumford, 2nd vice president. Back row—Leon Sorenson, programs; Clarence Smith, tours and trips; Elmer F. Frazier, secretary-treasurer; Ardell Hunt, chaplain; Wilmer C. Jensen, historian.

Jefferson Hunt Chapter Sets Up Interesting Schedule Of Activities

The year 1966 will be a busy one for members of the Jefferson Hunt Chapter of the SUP of Huntsville, Utah. The new chapter officers have set up a schedule which includes, dinners, lectures, trips and all sorts of activities to include something interesting for every member.

Here is the tentative schedule to which some other events are almost certain to be added, dates in parenthesis:

April — Officers meeting (7); annual Weber Memorial Park Dinner (14) with wives invited, also state officials.

May — Officers meeting (5); car trip (12).

June — Officers meeting (2);

annual hot cake supper at Town Park (9); horseback ride to the mountains (11).

July — Officers meeting (7); annual lawn party (14).

August — Officers meeting (4); overnight camping with horses and packs, family affair (12 and 13).

September — Officers meeting (1); monthly meeting of SUP officers, special, (8); annual encampment of SUP to Brigham City, (date to be announced).

October — Officers meeting (6); Halloween Party, wives invited, (13).

November — Officers meeting (3); annual dinner party (10).

December — Officers meeting (1); Christmas party (10).

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dances, games and listen to flutes, pan pipes and other musical instruments as did their pre-Spanish ancestors.

Because these Indians have changed very little since the coming of the Spaniard, they are greatly handicapped. Schools are few and far between. Those who can read or write are a rarity; and because many do not know Spanish, they are not qualified for modern employment. They lack education, medical and sanitary facilities.

Although infant mortality is high, they are increasing beyond their food supply. They eke out a meager existence with a few animals and a small parcel of land. A few wealthy families own the most desirable land. The Indians often work for these large land owners for twenty cents a day. Their average income is \$53.00 a year.

That a high civilization has sunk so low is deplorable. It would be encouraging to report these conditions were being corrected immediately. A *d v a n c e m e n t* will come, but because of political and economic conditions it will be slow. For a long time, therefore, Peru will still be the land of the Incas.

LARSEN

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as president of Elders quorum and superintendent of MIA; in the Lehi Stake High Council for 14 years; Bishop of Lehi Fourth Ward for eight years; first counselor in the Lehi Stake High Priests Quorum, and since retirement is class instructor of the High Priest group, and class instructor of the Gospel Doctrine class. He is a member of the Mormon Battalion and currently is serving as president of the Lehi Chapter of the S. U. Pioneers for the second term.

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THE DIXIE MISSION CHAPTER

Romance And Tradition In Utah's Southland

By A. K. Hafen

Dixie Chapter Historian

Earliest records available indicate that the Dixie Mission Chapter of SUP was launched in 1950. There was some activity earlier than that time, but no complete record is available. Officers from Cedar City assisted in organizing the Dixie Chapter.

Leo Snow probably was the first president and Alma C. Lambert secretary. Other officers were Joseph Olsen and William Brooks, vice presidents; Gordon Clark historian; W. W. Cannon, membership chairman and H. L. Reid, associate historian. Mr. Reid was later appointed historian.

In August, 1950 a new set of officers was installed including Gordon Clark, president; A. J. Hutchings and A. C. Lambert, vice presidents and Lenzi Sullivan, secretary-treasurer. Evidently activity dwindled because the next minutes were recorded in November, 1955.

A record was made of a meeting held November 16 and another on October 28, 1955. Rulon A. Snow had been elected president and Henry Graf, secretary. Due to poor health, Rulon Snow resigned and Mr. Graf became the president, Nov. 23, 1955. Vivian R. Leaney was named secretary.

Valiant Service

These two officers served until January, 1961, when Mr. Graf was released and Phillip Foremaster became president. Mr. Leaney served two more years as secretary and also acted as historian until his death in February, 1965.

These worthy officers gave valiant service to the chapter and while most of them have passed on their names and their devotions will linger long in the memories of the members of SUP in south-ern Utah.

In later years Phillip Foremaster became group leader, then in 1963, A. K. Hafen was chosen president and E. Everett Syphus, secretary. They served two years and Wilford A. Schmutz was elected president and Archie D. Wallis, secretary, in February, 1965.

Some splendid activities have been carried through. Renovation of cemeteries in ghost towns and placing of markers and monuments of Mormon Battalion members, buried in that area, have been principal projects. The decaying and crumbling walls of old Fort Pearce have been reconditioned. The wall around the monument at Mountain Meadow has been repaired.

Work Appreciated

Letters of appreciation from the Utah Parks and Recreation Commission are on file expressing ap-

preciation to the SUP groups for the work done in cleaning up the area around the Brigham Young Home at St. George and the Jacob Hamlin Home in Santa Clara. Both homes are now under the direction of the parks commission.

Last year SUP members in convention in Cedar City visited historic points in the vicinity of St. George. An enthusiastic SUP member, Albert R. Miller, accompanied visiting members to such sites as the stone quarry from which the rock to build the St. George Temple was taken, as well as the stone for the Stake Tabernacle and the old Court House; the lime kiln where the lime was burned for these buildings; and the location of various other mills, smelters and factories. Some time was spent with Mr. Miller photographing these places and several remaining historic residences.

The chapter has provided our national historian with a splendid recording of "The Story of Silver Reef," as told by George E. Miles who worked there many years, starting as a small boy.

The St. George chapter was delighted to have acted as host to the annual SUP encampment during its Centennial Celebration in 1951 and to the Temple Quarry Chapter in a recent two-day visit with us.



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Eva Hamblin, Class of '04, Climbs Mt. Timpanogos

Eva Hamlin Ward, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert L. Hamlin, is resting at McMahon's Convalescent Home, Oakland. While a Salt Lake City School teacher she climbed lofty Mt. Timpanogos out of Provo, Utah. It was a 4th of July event and her class of 1904, University of Utah, was identified with the venture.

"The famous mountain has a Ute Indian name," says Clarence Hawxhurst, who is also convalescing at 79. He made a stab in the dark at spelling it. Indian names are never spelled the same any way, so what's the difference?

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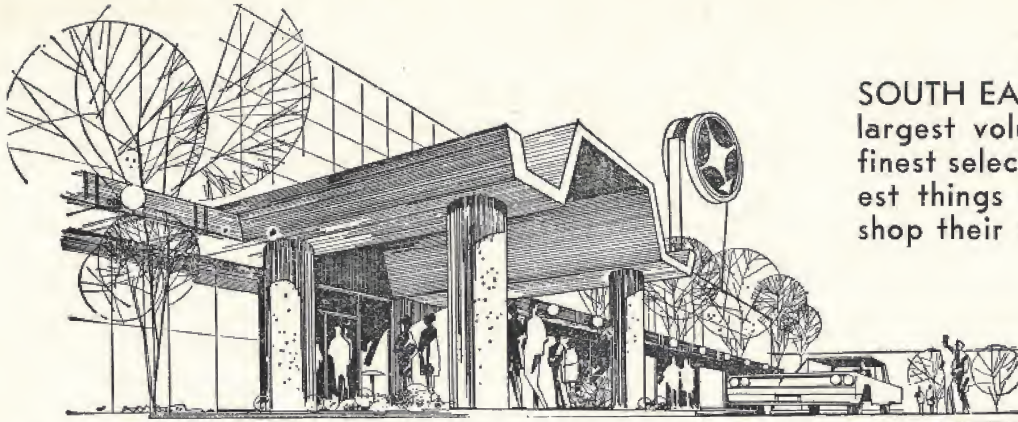
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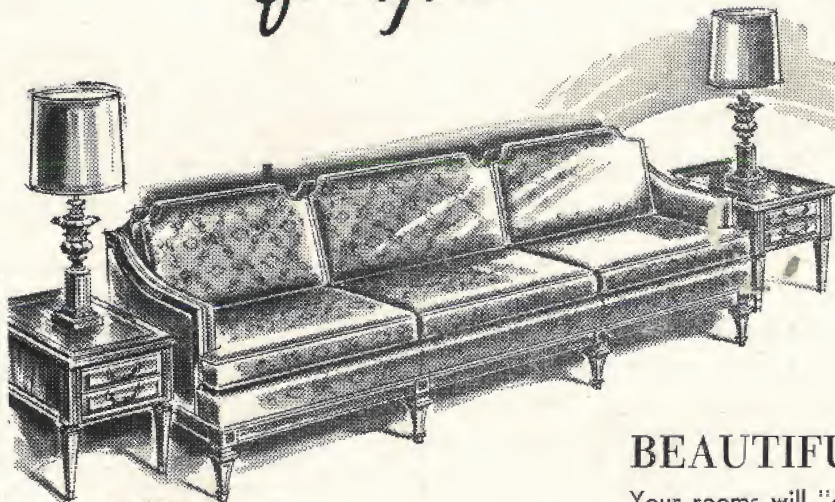
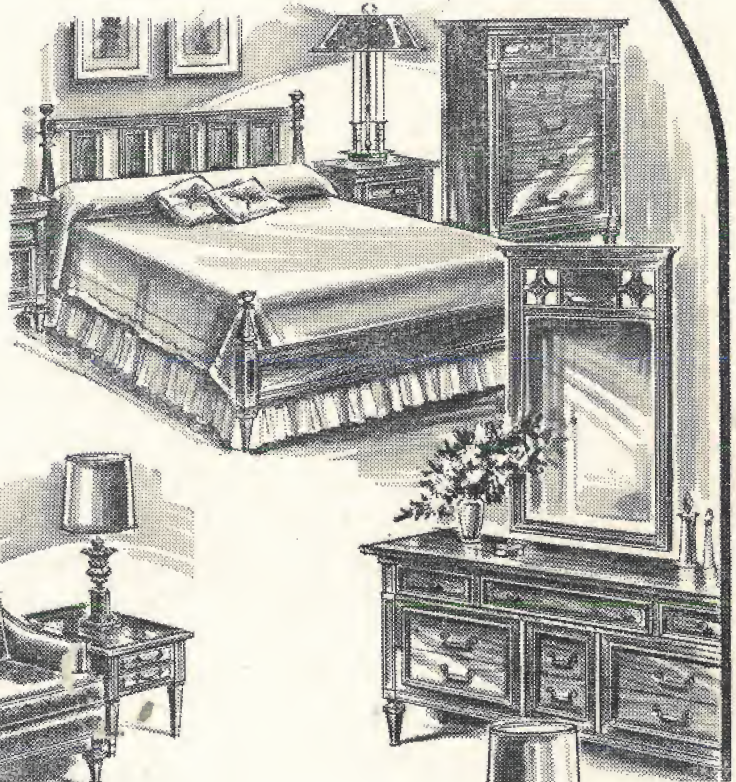


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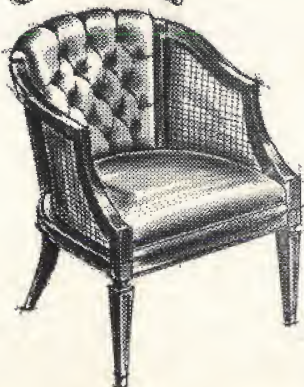
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